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#### **Field Crops**

Cotton harvesting is 53 percent complete, ahead of last year at 48 percent, and ahead of the five-year average of 47 percent. Cotton conditions are fair to excellent. Alfalfa harvest remains active on over three-quarters of the State's acreage. Alfalfa conditions range from poor to good. Range and pasture conditions vary from mostly very poor to poor, depending on location and elevation.

### **Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops**

Central Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, and lemons.

Western Arizona growers shipped spinach, cantaloupes, honeydews, and miscellaneous melons this week.

**Crop Condition** 

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
			- Percent -		
Alfalfa	-	28	45	21	6
Cotton	-	3	27	42	28
Range and Pasture	57	26	9	5	3

**Crop Progress** 

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	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
Cotton • Harvesting				
	53	48	47	48

### **Weather Summary**

Temperatures were below normal across the State for the week ending November 1, ranging from 13 degrees below normal at Saint Johns to 3 degrees below normal at Yuma. The highest temperature of the week was 94 degrees at Paloma and the lowest reading of 8 degrees occurred at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at 5 of the 22 stations. Saint Johns received the most at .24 inches and Flagstaff received the least at 0.01 inches of precipitation. There are no reporting stations that have above normal precipitation.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
October 26, 2009 - November 1, 2009								
	Temperature				Precipitation			
					Past	Jan. 1	Departure	Percent
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Week	to Date	From Normal	of Normal
Aguila	57	-6	87	35	0.00	3.70	-4.32	46
Buckeye	59	-8	89	36	0.00	2.30	-3.72	38
Canyon De Chelly	37	-12	64	17	0.20	4.20	-3.87	52
Coolidge	56	-9	88	26	0.19	3.11	-2.84	52
Douglas	51	-8	82	24	0.00	5.30	-6.50	45
Flagstaff	36	-8	60	12	0.01	7.88	-10.63	43
Grand Canyon	32	-9	65	8	0.00	7.92	-8.79	47
Kingman	51	-8	74	29	0.00	4.26	-3.79	53
Marana	59	-7	87	34	0.00	4.59	-4.21	52
Maricopa	58	-8	87	32	0.00	3.38	-2.26	60
Paloma	60	-7	94	35	0.00	1.58	-3.35	32
Parker	59	-8	84	35	0.00	1.03	-2.10	33
Payson	46	-7	74	20	0.00	9.26	-8.77	51
Phoenix	64	-5	89	45	0.00	2.80	-3.22	47
Prescott	46	-5	73	24	0.00	5.97	-10.53	36
Roll	61	-7	90	36	0.00	0.82	-1.67	33
Safford	52	-8	82	24	0.00	3.73	-4.45	46
St. Johns	38	-13	63	20	0.24	3.39	-6.59	34
Tucson	59	-7	86	35	0.00	5.47	-4.81	53
Willcox	50	-7	80	23	0.00	9.54	-1.50	86
Winslow	41	-11	68	20	0.09	2.58	-4.25	38
Yuma	69	-3	93	47	0.00	2.42	-0.07	97
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that w eek.								

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